the existence of a gold mine in Kudaregonda, Honnali Taluk?

(*b*) Is it a fact that the mining would be a profitable concern as found out by the test?

(*c*) Is it not better to take the electric line through this place while putting up transmission wires from Shimoga to Davangere?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—44. (*a*) The occurrence of gold in some of the quartz reefs of this area is well known.

(*b*) Under the best of conditions mining is a speculative industry.

(*c*) If suitable load centres are available along the route suggested, power will no doubt be taken there.

MESSRS. A. CHENNABASAPPA (Davangere Taluk); C. RANGAPPA (Davangere Municipality) and other members of the Chitaldrug District.—

Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether Government are aware of the fact of their reply that, immediately after the supply of power to Bhadravati, Davangere Town would be supplied with it?

(*b*) How far has the work of supplying electricity to Bhadravati progressed; how long will it take to complete it?

(*c*) Would it be possible to put on hand the construction of the line to Davangere immediately the supply to Bhadravati is completed?

(*d*) Whether the route for taking the line from Bhadravati to Davangere *via* Channagiri has been surveyed; if so, when was it done?

(*e*) Whether it is a fact that the Government is again considering the question of supplying electricity to Davangere *via* Honnali and Harihar?

(*f*) If so, whether any attempt has been made to survey that route; how long will it take to survey; what would be the cost of this scheme and what time would it take to complete the work?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT.—

A.—48. (*a*) It was stated that the supply of power to Davangere was possible if power was taken to Bhadravati.

(*b*) The work of running the Transmisson Line is nearing completion and the station works has been taken on hand. It will take about four months to complete it.

(*c*) No. The supply of power to that place will depend upon whether the scheme will be remunerative.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) This does not arise.

MRS. KAMALAMMA H. DASAPPA (Special Interest).—

Q.—49. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Did the Government recover the money advanced to lady candidates for prosecuting their studies in foreign countries in all cases?

(*b*) Will they be pleased to state the cases if there are any in which such loans were cancelled?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—49. (*a*) and (*b*) The money advanced to lady candidates for studies in foreign countries has been recovered except in the following case:—

Miss Mary Chandy—A sum of Rs. 5,567 was written off.

SRIMATHI D. SAKAMMA (Special Interest).—

Q.—51. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) How many vacancies in the teaching posts occurred during the last five years in the girls' middle and girls' high schools in the State?

(*b*) How many of the vacancies were filled up by lady candidates?

(*c*) How many of them were Mysoreans?

(*d*) How many teachers there are in the girls' middle and girls' high schools and how many of them are male teachers?

(*e*) How many teachers there are in the primary girls' schools in the State and how many of them are male teachers?

(*f*) How many teachers there are in the primary boys' schools in the State and how many of them are lady teachers ?

(*g*) What steps are being taken to introduce a larger element of lady teachers in the primary schools in the State ?

GENERAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—51. (*a*) 30 and 8 respectively.

(*b*) 26 and 5 respectively.

(*c*) All of them are Mysoreans.

(*d*) Out of 49 teachers in girls' high schools, 21 are men teachers ; out of 102 in middle schools, 24 are men.

(*e*) 955 ; of these, 349 are men teachers.

(*f*) 7,024 ; of them, 48 are women teachers.

(*g*) As vacancies occur in primary girls' schools, action is being taken to fill them up by appointing women teachers.

MR. T. RAMACHANDRA (Special Interest).—

Q.—54. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether they have brought to the notice of the management of the Binny Mills, Mysore Mills and Minerva Mills in Bangalore City, the immediate need for constructing suitable quarters to house at least a good portion of their labourers ?

(*b*) How many acres of land were acquired by Government and given to the Binny Mills for the purpose of building houses to their labourers ; when were the lands given ; and at what total cost for acquisition ?

(*c*) Have the Binny Mills taken steps to construct the houses ; how many houses have they planned to construct ; and when will they be built ?

(*d*) Whether any lands have been acquired and given to the Minerva Mills ; when were they given ; have the Minerva Mills undertaken any house-building scheme for their labourers ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—54. (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 43 acres 10 guntas of land were acquired by Government in the Jodi Kempapur Village at a cost of Rs. 23,115 and given to the Binny Mills in exchange for lands taken over from them on the 10th March 1934.

(*c*) No. Certain preliminary points are being settled.

(*d*) No. The management of the Mills have at thnir own expense constructed some tenements for their employees near the mill area.

MR. T. RAMACHANDRA (Special Interest).—

Q.—55. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether it has been brought to their notice that workmen in mills and factories are subjected to the payment of exhorbitant interest and to threats of physical violence by the money-lenders ?

(*b*) If so, what assurance have Government been pleased to give to the above representation ?

(*c*) What action has been taken by Government to implement their assurances ?

(*d*) Are Government contemplating the introduction of suitable legislation to restrict and regulate the rate of interest charged on loans and also the methods of extortion ?

(*e*) If so, when will such a legislation be enacted ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—55. (*a*) No. Government are however aware that high rates of interest are prevalent.

(*b*) and (*c*) *Vide* reply to (*a*).

(*d*) and (*e*) The question will be examined.

MR. S. MUNIVENKATAPPA (Minorities).

Q.—56. Will the Government be pleased to furnish the following information regarding the income of the Sri Dharmarayaswami Temple at Halsurpet, Bangalore City :—

(*a*) Whether the "Kappa Kanikes" offered for the temple by the devotees as well as those collected during marriages, etc., by the two parties of the Tigalar community are utilised for the benefit of the temple ?